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In re Patent Application of

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A SYSTEM USING A DRYWALL

BOARD AND JOINTING

COMPOUND

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

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Examiner: ELIZABETH A

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ELECTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 12, 2006, Applicants hereby elect Species III, claims 37-55, with traverse. Applicants submit that the Office Action has not provided a proper reason for the election. Specifically, the Examiner has not provided any reasons why it would be a serious burden to examine all claims. See §§808 and 808.02 of the M.P.E.P.

In the event that there are any questions concerning this response, or the application in general, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned attorney so that prosecution of the application may be expedited.

Respectfully submitted,

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